

(Print on Project Sponsor Letterhead)

LANDOWNER AGREEMENT

The _____ (*Project Sponsor*) has agreed to provide funding through a grant from the Virginia Department of Conservation & Recreation to _____ (*Landowner*) for the purpose of construction of a _____ (*Insert BMP System Description*).

The Virginia Department of Conservation & Recreation's share of funding for this practice will not exceed ____ %. The landowner agrees that access to the landowner's property will be allowed for the project sponsor and state agency staff to:

- Evaluate site and design options, and to observe construction and operation of the BMP.
- Spot check maintenance during the 10-year life span of the practice.
- Conducting information and education programs (i.e. field days for other landowners and interested persons to observe the operation of the BMPs). [*This condition is optional.*]

Such access to the site shall be secured through consultation with the landowner to determine a mutually agreeable date and time for access. Access for spot checks will be for the projected lifespan of the practice and subject to the same provisions regarding notification for a visit.

The landowner accepts responsibility for the maintenance of the BMP for the duration of its project lifespan. (*Lifespan is based on the Virginia Agricultural BMP Manual, the NRCS Field Office Technical Guide, or other standard specification manual. Where a BMP lifespan is not available, 10 years will be used.*) Any breach of the above terms of this agreement shall lead to the immediate revocation of this agreement. All or part of funding assistance may be required to be refunded, on a straight line pro-rated basis based on the BMP lifespan, if the BMP is removed or not properly maintained during the life of the practice.

Landowner

Date

Project Sponsor

Date